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The Honorable Patrick T. McHenry Speaker pro tempore U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker McHenry:

I am respectfully submitting the enclosed Report to Congress titled "The Administration, Cost, and Impact of the Quality Improvement Organization Program for Medicare Beneficiaries for Fiscal Year 2021".

The statutory purpose of the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Program is to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, economy, and quality of services delivered to Medicare beneficiaries, and to ensure that services are reasonable and necessary. Section 1161 of the Social Security Act requires the Secretary to submit, by April 1, an annual report to Congress on the administration, cost, and impact of the QIO Program during the preceding fiscal year. This report describes the primary activities undertaken during fiscal year 2021.

I hope you find this report useful. I am sending an identical copy of this report to Vice President Harris. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-690-7627 if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure